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## **Amendment in Response to Restriction Requirement**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 6, 2003, Applicants elect the invention of Group XII, claims 40 and 41, without traverse. Claims 1-39 and 42-46 have been cancelled without prejudice.

Additionally, Applicants hereby request a four-month extension of time in which to reply to said Office Action, extending the period for reply from November 6, 2003 to March 6, 2004. A check in the amount of \$740.00 to cover the required fee is enclosed herewith. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2586.

Respectfully submitted,

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